

Council Proceedings.

Council Chamber, Mar. 3rd, 1879

The Board of Aldermen met in the Council Chamber at the usual hour, His Worship Mayor Lewis in the chair, and the following members present: Aldermen Pritchard, Campbell, Muirhead, Thompson, Stringer, Taylor, Greer, Edleston, Glass, Gray, Ardill, Boyd, Raynor, Peel, Fitzgerald, Skinner, Powell, Egan, Hiscox, Williams, Scarrow.

The minutes of previous meeting were read and signed by the Mayor.

Communications were read—

From Dr. Beemer, Secretary of Western and St. Clair Medical Association, thanking the Mayor and corporation for use of City Hall. Fyled.

From W. R. Meredith, City Solicitor, relative to passing by-law and issuing debentures in connection with interest due government. Referred to Finance Committee.

From W. T. Peel, relative to erroneous assessment. Referred to Finance and Assessment Committee.

From Mary Brown, for remission of taxes. Referred to Finance and Assessment Committee.

Ald. Egan, Chairman of the Fire, Water and Gas Committee, reported progress in the matter referred relative to the new gas company.

On motion, Messrs. Duffield, Macfie and Burns addressed the Council.

Moved by Ald. Glass, seconded by Ald. Gray, that the prayer of Wm. Duffield and others, asking for the right to lay down gas mains and pipes in the streets of the city of London, for the purpose of supplying the citizens with gas, be complied with on the following conditions, viz., that they shall leave the streets in as good repair as they find them, extend their mains, and supply good gas wherever required so to do, at the rate of \$1.50 per 1000 cubic feet, and further, that they shall give a safe guarantee to this Council for the due fulfilment of the same.

Moved in amendment by Ald. Powell,

seconded by Ald. Campbell, that in view of the Fire, Water and Gas Committee not being able to arrive at conclusions sufficiently definite for the information of the Council respecting the scheme having reference to granting privileges to the proposed new gas company, be it therefore resolved that a special meeting of this Council be called by His Worship the Mayor on Thursday evening next to hear the report of the Fire, Water and Gas Committee appointed for the consideration of this matter, and to report on the above named date.

Moved in amendment by Ald. Pritchard, seconded by Ald. Greer, that the matter be referred to the Fire, Water and Gas Committee to report at as early a date as possible.

Moved in amendment by Ald. Scarrow, seconded by Ald. Raynor, that this Council grant the prayer of the petition, subject to such conditions as shall fully protect the interests of the city and citizens, and that the City Solicitor be instructed to draw up such conditions.

Ald. Glass withdrew his motion. Aldermen Pritchard and Scarrow also withdrew their amendments. Ald. Powell's motion carried.

The report of Fire, Water and Gas Committee, deferred from last meeting, was then taken up and considered in committee of the whole, Ald. Raynor in the chair.

The clause recommending the rescinding of the by-law appointing John Reidy chimney sweep, and advertising for applicants for said position, was read and passed.

The clause fixing the salaries of the fire brigade under the new system, was, on motion, referred to the Salaries Committee.

The clause defining the duties of the Chief Engineer passed.

On the clause defining the duties of the foreman, Ald. Williams moved, seconded by Ald. Campbell, that the term "assist-

ant engineer" be substituted for "foreman." Lost. The clause passed.

The clauses dealing with the drivers, hosemen and branchmen were read and passed.

The next clause, stipulating "that during the summer months the permanent men's time be utilized as far as possible in watering the streets in the immediate vicinity of the premises of the Fire Department," was amended, on motion of Ald. Campbell, seconded by Ald. Glass, by striking out the words "in the immediate vicinity of the premises of the F. D."

The clause recommending the purchase of modern appliances, at a cost not exceeding \$389, was passed.

On motion the Committee was empowered to dispose of the old harness.

On motion, the fourth rule was suspended at 10.55.

The clause recommending the sale of No. 1 steamer was passed.

The remainder of the report passed, when the Committee rose and Council resumed. The chairman reported, and the report was adopted as amended.

Ald. Peel, Chairman, submitted the following report from the Board of Works:

1. That \$800 be granted to carry out repairs at City Hall, as recommended by City Engineer.

2. That the room recently occupied by the collectors be rented to Mr. Clark for five years at \$150 per year, payable monthly.

On a motion to adopt,

Ald. Pritchard moved in amendment, seconded by Ald. Campbell, that \$250 be substituted for \$800 in the first clause. Carried.

On motion, the report as amended was adopted.

A by-law appointing J. W. Nash clerk of the wood market, in the place and stead of Henry Beltz, was read three times and passed.

Ald. Muirhead, Chairman, presented the following report from the license committee:—

Your committee would recommend no change in licenses, except auctioneers' and transient traders'—auctioneers' to be raised from \$40 to \$100 per year, and no license be granted for any part of a year at a reduction unless by special vote of the Council; transient traders' licenses be raised from \$5 to \$10 per day.

Moved by Ald. Pritchard, seconded by Ald. Campbell, that \$40 (auctioneers' license) be substituted for \$100. Carried.

Moved by Ald. Powell, seconded by Ald. Glass, that transient traders' licenses be \$20, instead of \$10. Lost.

Report adopted as amended.

Ald. Gray, chairman, submitted the following report from the Printing Committee:

Your committee beg to report that they have examined the accounts of M. D. Dawson & Co., (\$72.75) and the Free Press Printing Co. (\$199.50), and found the same correct.

Received and adopted.

The Council then adjourned till Thursday evening.

Council Proceedings.

Council Chamber, Mar. 6th, 1879

The Board of Aldermen met last night, pursuant to adjournment, to consider the petition of the new gas company. Present: His Worship Mayor Lewis and Aldermen Pritchard, Campbell, Egan, Scarrow, Williams, Boyd, Ardill, Grey, Glass, Eldeson, Greer, Taylor, Stringer, Skinner, Fitzgerald, Powell, Thompson, and Hiscox.

Ald. Egan, Chairman, submitted the following report from the Fire, Water and Gas Committee:—

Your Committee having taken into consideration the petition of Mr. Duffield et al, would recommend that the prayer of the petition be granted on the following conditions:

1. That the proposed Gas Company shall commence the construction of their works within a period of one month from the passing of the by-law relating thereto by the City Council.

2. That the works be completed within twelve months from said date; that they will lay down mains and supply gas when required to the extent of the present area of the existing City Gas Company, and that all mains, as above, be laid at the expense of the proposed company.

3. That the petitioners shall give personal bonds that they will supply gas to the city, if required, and the citizens for the term of five years, at a price not exceeding \$1.50 per 1,000 feet. The bonds and their amount shall be subject to the approval of the City Solicitor.

4. In case the proposed company, at any time hereafter during five years, sell out to or amalgamate with any other company, or purchase works or plant of the present City Gas Company, they shall, nevertheless, carry out the conditions herein imposed on them.

5. That the quality of the gas shall be equal to the Government standard.

6. Metre rent shall not exceed the rate charged by the City Gas Company.

7. That in the event of the city entering into a contract to supply gas to the city, the said proposed company shall lay mains to the extent of 500 feet free of charge.

8. The proposed company, in laying their mains and service pipes, shall do so with as much dispatch as possible, and shall leave the streets in as good a condition as they found them, and in laying mains and service pipes, shall be subject to the supervision of the City Engineer.

9. In case of damage occurring, during the construction of said works, to individuals or companies, the said proposed company shall be held responsible therefor.

The report was considered *seriatim*.

First clause read and passed.

Second clause read.

On motion, Mr. Duffield was heard. He objected to the clause, and submitted a proposition (in writing) of the terms

upon which the new company would supply gas, if the prayer of their petition was granted:—

To His Worship the Mayor and Aldermen of the City of London:

GENTLEMEN,—We hereby agree to light your street lamps with gas within six months from the 1st day of April, 1879, for the sum of \$16.50 per lamp per annum for a term of five years, and will light them with oil until the above mentioned date at the same rate; and will furthermore agree that for all repairs and reasonable extensions a proportionate reduction will be made, and the above proposition to be conditional that you grant us the prayer of our petition for the privilege of laying down gas pipes through streets and public squares as therein mentioned; and we further agree to contract with you for a term of five years to light your public offices in the city at the rate of \$1.50 per 1,000 feet, to commence as soon as we can supply the gas, or within the period of six months above mentioned, and will submit to all the conditions and restrictions of the present gas company.

DUFFIELD, STEVENS, TURNER, BURNS & McFIE,

For the London Gas Light Company

London, March 6, 1879.

On motion, Messrs. W. Bowman and J. Beattie were heard on behalf of the old company.

Ald. Campbell moved, seconded by Ald. Powell, that the new gas company be allowed to lay their gas pipes and mains on the streets on the following conditions: That they furnish good gas up to the Government standard at the rate of \$1.50 per thousand feet; pipes to be extended as far as they are at present as soon as a contract is agreed upon with them by this corporation for gas; that they be subject to the conditions and restrictions of the old company, in leaving the streets in good order; that the work be commenced in two months and be completed in 12 months from the passage of the by-law, and that they give a good responsible bond, to be approved of by our solicitor, for the due fulfilment and performance of all the conditions agreed upon. Carried.

YEAS—Aldermen Campbell, Powell, Skinner, Stringer, Taylor, Hiscox, Eldeson, Glass, Gray, Boyd and Scarrow—11.

NAYS—Aldermen Pritchard, Thompson, Fitzgerald, Greer, Ardill, Williams and Egan—7.

The Council then adjourned.

Council Proceedings.

Council Chamber, Mar. 11th, 1879

The Board of Aldermen met in the Council Chamber at the usual hour, His Worship Mayor Lewis in the chair, and the following members present: Aldermen Pritchard, Muirhead, Thompson, Fitzgerald, Stringer, Greer, Edleston, Glass, Gray, Ardill, Williams, Raynor, Hiscox, Skinner, Campbell, Taylor, Egan, Scarrow, Boyd.

The minutes of previous meetings were read and signed by the Mayor.

Communications were read—

From Geo. Watson, on behalf of True Blue Lodge, No. 11, asking for free use of one of the buildings on the palace grounds for practice of fife and drum band. Granted, subject to the control of the Exhibition Committee.

From W. D. Buckle, on behalf of Real Estate Protective Association, relative to sale of vacant lands. Referred to Finance and Assessment Committee.

From Conklin & Moore, asking that the city be charged for gas lamp in front of Tecumseh House, instead of the petitioners. Referred to Fire, Water and Gas Committee, with power.

From W. R. Meredith, Esq., City Solicitor, relative to interest on Municipal Loan Fund account. Referred to Finance Committee.

Ald. Campbell, chairman, submitted the following report from the Finance Committee:

1.—That they have examined the following accounts and found them correct, and would recommend the same to be paid:—Hospital account for Feb., \$549.97; City Hall acct., \$8.60; incidentals, \$51.50; Board of Health, \$167.62; Palace grounds caretaker's acct., \$30; registry office, \$6; police station, \$13.37; Fire Dept., \$280.85; relief to poor, \$193.50; E. Beltz's acct., \$24; Brown & Morris acct., \$4.93; H. Winder, rent of pound, \$12.50; M. D. Dawson & Co., \$72.75; Free Press, \$199.59. Total, \$1,615.18.

2.—Your committee would recommend that no monies be paid by the Chamber-

lain for supplies furnished for this corporation until it has passed the proper committees or Council, unless by special order of His Worship the Mayor.

3.—Your committee would further recommend that the proceeds of all sales, whether of lands, stock or chattels of any kind whatever sold by or for the benefit of the corporation, shall be paid direct to the City Chamberlain without passing through the hands of any member of the Council or other officer of this corporation.

Received and adopted.

Ald. Skinner, in the absence of Ald. Powell, submitted the following report from the Hospital and Relief Committee:

1. That they have examined the following accounts for hospital supplies for the month of February, and would recommend the same to Finance Committee for payment, viz.: Turnips, \$2.50; cab hire 50c; O'Callaghan, groceries, \$142.58; Henry, milk, \$18.56; Eldridge, bread, \$36.17; Taylor, meat, \$79.32; McCallum, drugs, \$54.71; Grant, servants' wages, \$59; Alley, dry goods, \$66.35; Dundas, straw, \$17.50; Bowman, coal, \$72.79; Dr Mitchell, attendance on Tweedy, \$2; Dr Waugh, do, \$2; total, \$553.97.

2. The Hospital Steward's monthly report showed the average number of patients in City Hospital during the month just closed to be 57; remaining in hospital at end of month, 53.

3. The Relief Officer submitted his report for the month of February, showing in detail the amount of cash and wood distributed throughout the different Wards of the city, viz:

No.	Ward	Cash.	3 4 00	Wood, 144 cords.
No. 1	Ward	18 80	7	
No. 2	"	0 00	7 1/2	"
No. 3	"	0 00	6	"
No. 4	"	0 00	23 1/2	"
No. 5	"	12 00	15	"
No. 6	"	3 00	7	"
No. 7	"			
		\$37 80	80 1/2	cords.

Received and adopted.

A by-law to authorise the London Gas Light Company to lay down pipes for the conveyance of gas under the streets, squares and other public places in the City of London, was read a first time.

The clerk then read a bond, approved by the city solicitor, to be entered into by the London Gas Light Co. with this corporation.

Ald. Campbell moved, seconded by Ald. Stringer, that the by-law and bond be referred to a sub committee to report

in one hour, said committee to consist of Aldermen Raynor, Scarrow, Glass, Hiscox, Taylor, His Worship the Mayor and the mover. Lost.

Ald. Williams moved in amendment, seconded by Ald. Thompson, that the matter be referred to the Fire, Water and Gas Committee, to report at the next regular or special meeting of this Council. Carried.

Moved by Ald. Pritchard, seconded by Ald. Williams, that the services of Lawrence Powers be retained until the Fire, Water and Gas Committee submit their report. Carried.

Yeas—Aldermen Pritchard, Campbell, Fitzgerald, Greer, Boyd, Williams, Scarrow, Rayner and Egan.

Nays—Aldermen Skinner, Stringer, Taylor, Hiscox, Edleston, Glass, Gray and Ardill.

Ald. Gray gives notice that at the next

regular meeting of the Board he will move that the Fire, Water and Gas Committee be instructed to advertise for tenders for lighting the street lamps with gas for a term of five years.

Ald. Campbell moved, seconded by Ald. Skinner, that the Clerk be instructed to correspond with the Secretary of the Wyandotte Iron Smelting Co., offering them all legitimate privileges and assistance towards the erection of their proposed works. Carried.

Ald. Stringer moved, seconded by Ald. Taylor, that the Finance and Exhibition Committee take into consideration the propriety of offering for sale that portion of city property situated on the east side of Richmond street and west side of the Exhibition Grounds, and to add a portion of the Exhibition Ground, so as to give an equal depth from Richmond street. Carried.

The Council then adjourned.

Council Proceedings.

Council Chamber, Mar. 19th, 1879

The Board of Aldermen met in the Council Chamber at the usual hour, His Worship Mayor Lewis in the chair, and the following members present: Aldermen Pritchard, Campbell, Muirhead, Thompson, Stringer, Taylor, Hiscox, Greer, Edleston, Glass, Gray, Scarrow, Raynor, Peel, Egan, Williams, Fitzgerald, Powell.

The minutes of the previous meeting were read and signed by the Mayor.

Communications were read

From Mr. Magee, Market Clerk, asking for compensation for the drain laid down through the market, owing to the same interfering with his privileges. Market Committee.

From Mrs. Coleman and Samuel Brooks, for permission to erect frame buildings within fire limits. Referred to the Fire, Water and Gas Committee.

An account from Dr. C. Moore & Son, \$21, medical examinations in 1874, was referred to the Hospital and Relief Committee.

The Clerk read a letter from the City Solicitor giving it as his opinion that the Council were legally bound to pay the year's interest on the Municipal Loan Fund debt, instead of the nine months' interest as was at first supposed.

Mr. W. R. Meredith, City Solicitor, was heard in the matter.

A by-law respecting the Municipal Loan Fund debt of the city was read three times and passed.

Ald. Egan, chairman, submitted the following report from the Fire, Water and Gas Committee:

1. (a) Your committee would recommend the placing a fire alarm box corner of Pall Mall and Maitland Sts. The matter of the proposed new gas company being referred to the Fire, Water and Gas Committee by resolution of the Council at its last meeting, your committee would recommend the following conditions on which the prayer of the petition be granted to the said gas company, viz.:

1st. (b) The time for electing to give contracts for lighting lamps, etc., to be extended to 30 days instead of 10 days.

2nd. In any event, the service pipes to be extended from Oxford street north to Hill street south.

3rd. The city to have the option at any time within five years to elect to give the contract for lighting the lamps at \$16.50 per lamp for five years from time of the election, and the Company then to be bound to extend mains over area of present gas company.

4th. Charge never to exceed \$1.50 per 1,000 feet during the term of five years, and no additional charge beyond meter rent, and such not to exceed rate charged by the present City Gas Company.

5th. The pipes to be of iron.

6th. If more than \$1.50 per 1,000 feet be charged within five years the right granting by-law to cease.

7th. Personal bonds to be \$12,500 and \$25,000.

The report was considered *seriatim*.

First clause (a) read and passed.

First clause (b) read.

Moved by Ald. Glass, in amendment to the clause, seconded by Ald. Gray, that 14 days be substituted for 30 or 10 days. Carried.

The second and third clauses were read, and, on motion, struck out.

The fourth clause was read and passed.

The fifth clause was read.

Sixth clause read.

Ald. Stringer moved, seconded by Ald. Scarrow, that the clause be amended by inserting the words "during the term of five years." Carried.

Seventh clause read, and, on motion, struck out.

The by-law granting privileges to the new company to lay down pipes, &c., was then submitted; also the bond in connection with the same.

The by-law was read a first time.

Ald. Pritchard moved, seconded by Ald. Greer, that the contract for lighting the street lamps, &c., be considered before the by-law be read a second time.

Ruled out of order.

Moved by Ald. Pritchard, seconded by Ald. Greer, that only iron pipes be used as mains.—Lost.

The by-law was read a second and third time and passed.

Moved by Ald. Pritchard, seconded by Ald. Greer, that in case the gas be not supplied in a satisfactory manner, the city have power to terminate the contract at six months' notice.

At 10:45 the 4th rule was suspended.

Ald. Scarrow, chairman, presented the following report from the salaries committee:

Your committee recommend that the salaries of the fire department be as follow: Chief Engineer, permanent \$800; foreman, \$400; two drivers, permanent, each, \$400; eight branchmen and hose-men, on call, each, \$100.

Received, and on motion consideration deferred for two weeks.

Moved by Ald. Glass, seconded by Ald. Gray, that the proposition of the London Gas Light Co. to light the street lamps at \$16.50 per lamp per year, and offices and City Hall at \$1.50 per 1000 feet, be accepted by this Council. Lost.

Moved in amendment by Ald. Campbell, seconded by Ald. Fitzgerald, that the Fire, Water and Gas Committee be instructed to call for tenders for lighting the city gas lamps and City Hall and other offices of the city, and that the rate to be charged per 1000 cubic feet to all other consumers be also included in the tender; Committee to report not later than one week from next Monday. Carried.

Yeas—Aldermen Prichard, Campbell, Muirhead, Thompson, Fitzgerald, Hiscox, Taylor, Peel and Egan.

Nays—Aldermen Stringer, Powell, Greer, Edlestone, Glass, Gray, Scarrow, Rayner.

The Council then adjourned until a week from Monday next.

Council Proceedings.

Council Chamber, Mar. 31st, 1879

The Board of Aldermen met in the Council Chamber at the usual hour. His Worship Mayor Lewis in the chair, and the following members present: Aldermen Pritchard, Campbell, Powell, Fitzgerald, Taylor, Hiscox, Edleston, Glass, Gray, Ardill, Boyd, Williams, Raynor, Peel, Thompson, Egan, Muirhead, Greer, Scarrow, Skinner and Stringer.

The minutes of previous meeting were read and signed by the Mayor.

Communications were read—

From Wm. Jamieson, relative to pasture at Guthrie Home. Referred to Board of Works.

From John Law, on behalf of the Canadian Colonization and Aid Society, asking for free use of hall to hold a public meeting. Granted.

From Wm. Small, on behalf of carriage makers, asking for remission of hall expenses, on account of their assembly being a failure. Granted.

From Chas. Duncan, asking for appointment as chimney sweep. Referred to Fire, Water, and Gas Committee.

From H. Pogelini, Susan Howard, Mrs. Mary Diver, Mary Washington, Mrs. Piper and Mrs. Shannon, for remission of taxes. Referred to Finance Committee.

From Fraser & Ellison, Port Stanley, inviting the Mayor and Aldermen to the launch of their new steamer. Invitation accepted.

From W. Rock, Q. C., for Geo. Luxton, asking compensation for property destroyed at the hospital, amounting in value to \$106. Referred to Board of Health.

From the London Oil Refining Co., asking for water and fire privileges at the same terms as the village of London East. Referred to the Fire, Water and Gas Committee.

From G. Laidlaw, Toronto, enclosing a memorial to be presented to Parliament relative to the appointment of a Commission for the management of railways. Re-

ferred to the Railway Committee and the Mayor with power.

An account was received from M. D. Dawson & Co., printing, \$25.28, and referred to the Printing Committee.

An account from John Mills, advertising, \$4.68, was referred to the Finance Committee.

From Wm. McBride, Secretary Western Fair, submitting resolution relative to invitation to His Excellency the Governor-General and Princess Louise to visit this city.

On motion, Messrs. McCormick, Brunton, Dreany and Johnston, a deputation from the Western Fair Association, addressed the Council in this matter.

On motion, the matter was referred to Exhibition Committee, to report at next meeting.

Ald. Egan, chairman, submitted the following report from the Fire, Water and Gas Committee.

1. Your Committee recommend payment of account of Rice, Lewis & Co., amounting to \$1,150, for 1,000 feet of White Anchor hose, which has been received by the Fire Department, tested and found satisfactory.
2. Also recommend the payment of Wonnacott & Coppinger's account, amounting to \$81.24.
3. A communication was received from the City Gas Company, declining to tender for lighting street lamps and city buildings.
4. Your Committee would recommend giving the City Gas Company the necessary six months' notice to the effect that their contract with the city would cease from date.
5. Your Committee would recommend the purchase of the Dominion ladder, about 50 feet, at a cost of \$2 per foot.
6. Your Committee would recommend the granting the prayer of the petition of the Westminster Water Works Co., subject to double rates charged to the city.
7. Your Committee would recommend placing a lamp at Blackfriars' Bridge, on condition that the Village of Petersville pay half cost.
8. That one of the lamps on the north side of Dundas street, between Clarence and Wellington streets, be transferred to the Mechanics' Institute.

The report was considered *separatim*.

Clauses 1 to 7 were read and adopted.

Clause 8 read.

Ald. Williams moved in amendment, seconded by Ald. Greer, that the clause be struck out. Lost.

Yeas—Aldermen Pritchard, Thompson,

Hiscox, Greer, Edleston, Glass, Gray and Williams—8.

Nays—Aldermen Campbell, Muirhead, Fitzgerald, Skinner, Stringer, Taylor, Ardill, Boyd, Scarrow, Raynor, Peel and Rgan—12.

Clause adopted.

Mr. Meredith, city solicitor, then read the bond and draft contract for lighting the street lamps by the new gas company.

Moved by Ald. Campbell, seconded by Ald. Glass, that the tender of the London Gas Light Co. be accepted on the terms of the draft agreement prepared and agreed upon, and that the Mayor be authorized to execute the said agreement on behalf of the corporation and attach to it the city seal. Carried.

A by-law appointing John Harris chimney sweep north, and John Short south, of Dundas street, was read three times and passed.

Ald. Peel, chairman, presented the following report from the Board of Works:—

"Your Board of Works beg leave to recommend that the following streets be cleaned, viz: Dundas street, from Ridout to Wellington; King street, from Ridout to Wellington; York street, from Richmond to Wellington; Talbot street, from York to Kent; Clarence street, from York to Queen's Avenue; Carling street, from Ridout to Richmond; Richmond street, from from York to Albert; the Market Square and Lane."

On a motion to adopt—

Ald. Hiscox moved in amendment, seconded by Ald. Edleston, that Queen's Avenue be cleaned from Richmond street to Waterloo. Carried.

Moved by Ald. Campbell, seconded by Ald. Muirhead, that Ridout street be cleaned from York to King. Carried.

Moved by Ald. Pritchard, seconded by Ald. Muirhead, that York street be cleaned from Talbot to Ridout. Carried.

Moved by Ald. Skinner, seconded by Ald. Powell, that York street be cleaned

from Richmond to Waterloo. Carried.

The report was adopted as amended.

Moved by Ald. Stringer, seconded by Ald. Taylor, that the scrapings of No. 3 Ward be not removed from the ward. Carried.

Moved by Ald. Campbell, seconded by Ald. Scarrow, that the Aldermen of each ward have the disposal of the scrapings. Carried.

The report of the Salaries Committee, deferred from last meeting, was then taken up. It recommended (1) that the salary of the chief engineer, permanent, be \$800 per annum; (2), foreman, permanent, \$400; (3), two drivers, permanent, \$400 each; (4), eight branchmen and hosemen, on call, \$100 each.

The report was considered *seriatim*.

First clause read and adopted.

Second clause read.

Moved by Ald. Boyd, seconded by Ald. Williams, that \$500 be substituted for \$400 in second clause. Carried.

On motion, Mr. Wastie, chief engineer, was heard.

Clause three read and passed.

Clause four read.

Moved by Ald. Taylor, seconded by Ald. Thompson, that the branchmen and hosemen get \$150 each. Carried.

Moved by Ald. Pritchard, seconded by Ald. Greer, that the four branchmen get \$175 instead of \$150 per annum. Lost.

YEAS—Aldermen Gray, Fitzgerald, Powell, Pritchard, Greer, Williams, Egan and Thompson.

NAYS—Aldermen Campbell, Muirhead, Skinner, Stringer, Taylor, Edleston, Glass, Peel, Ardell, Boyd, Scarrow and Rayner.

Report, as amended, adopted.

Moved by Ald. Powell, seconded by Ald. Fitzgerald, that \$200 be placed to the credit of the city treasurer for relief purposes. Carried.

The Board then adjourned.

Council Proceedings.

Council Chamber, April 7th, 1879

The Board of Aldermen met in the Council Chamber at the usual hour, His Worship Mayor Lewis in the chair, and the following members present:—Aldermen, Pritchard, Thompson, Stringer, Taylor, Greer, Edleston, Glass, Gray, Ardill, Will ms, Peel, Raynor, Egan, Hiscox, Scarrow, Skinner, Fitzgerald, Campbell, Boyd, Powell, Muirhead.

The minutes of previous meeting were read and signed by the Mayor.

Communications were read—

From C. D. Holmes, for Mrs. H. J. Farmer, claiming compensation for injuries sustained through illegal obstructions on sidewalk. Referred to Finance Committee.

From C. D. Holmes, for John Grant, claiming compensation for sheep killed by dogs. Referred to Finance Committee.

From S. McBride, relative to water supply for Mount Pleasant Cemetery at same rates as charged citizens. On motion, the prayer of the petition was granted and referred to Water Commissioners with power.

From E. McLeay and others, asking that gravel be laid down on a footpath on Grosvenor street. Referred to the Board of Works.

From H. Gahan and 72 others, asking that a sidewalk be laid down on Waterloo street, between King and York. Referred to Board of Works.

From Harris, Magee & Co., relative to Mr. Harvey's claim against the city. Referred to Fire, Water and Gas Committee.

An account from E. A. Taylor & Co., \$59.87, was referred to Printing and Finance Committees.

A by law amending the license law (in so far as it relates to transient traders) was read three times and passed.

Ald. Campbell, chairman, submitted the following report from the Finance Committee:

1. Your Finance Committee beg to report that they have examined the following accounts, found them correct, and would recommend the same to be paid:

(a) Fire Department.....	\$ 647 88
(b) Palace Grounds, Scragg's account, ...	15 00
(c) Registry Office.....	19 75
(d) Incidental expenses.....	6 00
(e) City Hall expenses.....	4 75
(f) Board of Health.....	50 13
(g) Relief Account.....	57 45
(h) T. H. Tracey, stove.....	25 00
(i) Pay sheet, city officials.....	1725 00
(j) A. S. Abbott, sundries.....	3 25
(k) Police Station.....	5 60

2. Your Committee would recommend that the petition of Messrs. Hyman, referring to over taxation, be referred to the Court of Revision, they being the proper parties to deal with it.

3. Your Committee would further recommend that the City Chamberlain be instructed to ask the different insurance companies of this city to submit tenders at the rate that they are prepared to insure city property.

Ald. Campbell also presented the annual statement of receipts and disbursements of the city for the year 1878, together with the Auditors' abstract statement.

On motion the report was considered in Committee of the whole, Ald. Powell in the chair.

The items from (a) to (g) were read and passed.

Item (h) was read.

Moved by Ald. Stringer, seconded by Ald. Hiscox, that \$15 be substituted for \$25. Carried.

Item (i) read.

Moved by Ald. Glass, seconded by Ald. Peel, that in consequence of the salaries of the city officials not having been agreed upon until Feb. 10th, be it therefore resolved that they be paid the same as last year for the three months ending March 31st. Lost.

The item passed; also the balance of the report.

The Committee rose and reported, and the report, as amended, was adopted.

Moved by Ald. Pritchard, seconded by Ald. Glass, that 100 copies of the abstract statement be printed in sheet form, and 500 copies of the detailed statement in pamphlet form. Carried.

Ald. Peel, chairman, presented the following report from the Board of Works:

1st. Your Board of Works would recommend that the laborers employed cleaning the streets receive one dollar per day, and that double teams receive three dollars per day.

2nd. That the communication of Wm. Jamieson, relative to the leasing the pasture land of the Ross Farm, recommend that no action be taken at present.

3rd. Your Board of Works would submit the report of the City Engineer, respecting the command of extra drainage necessary, and the approximate cost:—To the Chairman and members of the Board of Works:—

GENTLEMEN.—In reference to the matter of sewerage for the city, I have made an estimate of the probable cost of the work, extending as far as thought necessary by you, including:

Ward No. 1—Sewer on York street, from Richmond to Talbot.

No. 2—Talbot street, from Dundas to Albert; Richmond street, from Fullarton to Kent.

No. 3—Wellington street, from Bathurst to the river; Bathurst street, from Richmond to Clarence.

No. 4—Queen's avenue, from Richmond to Waterloo.

No. 5—Colborne street, from the river to Dundas; York and Bathurst to Burwell.

Amounting to about 2½ miles, at a cost of \$35,000.

The small sizes to be of tile from 18 in. to 2 feet, and the mains similar to the present Richmond street sewer.

Your obedient servant,

THOS. H. TRACY.

The report was considered *seriatim*.

First clause read, and on motion to adopt.

Ald. Glass moved in amendment, seconded by Ald. Stringer, that double teams be paid \$2.50 instead of \$3. Lost.

The clause passed.

Second clause read and passed.

Third clause read.

Moved by Ald. Pritchard, seconded by Ald. Williams, that the consideration of the clause be deferred for two weeks.

Carried.

Ald. Powell, chairman, submitted the following report from the Hospital and Relief Committee:—

Your Hospital and Relief Committee beg to report that they have examined, passed and referred the following accounts for hospital supplies to Finance Committee for payment, viz.: To paid for the EVERING

HALL, \$5; J. Burrill, for boots, \$1.75; Cab hire for patient, 50c; J. Miles, \$2.40; Bowman, coal, \$3.98; Colgrove, potatoes, \$6.45; Hinton & Portwood, furniture, \$7.70; Hinton & Portwood, interments, \$54; T. Brock, fish, \$23; W. Ward, carpentering, \$14.91; S. McBride, oil, etc, \$17.83; Twohey & Scraton, dry goods, \$35.54; Grant, servants' wages, \$57; W. J. Reid & Co., crockery, \$19.45; T. Chureher, soap, \$15; McCallum, drugs, \$49.92; Henry, milk, \$21.83; Labatt, ale, \$18; George Taylor, meat, \$91.77; Eldridge, bread, \$39.29; O'Callaghan, groceries, \$141.69; Suspended apparatus, \$15.56; J. Nisacke, \$18.85; total, \$691.49.

The Relief Officer submitted as heretofore a statement in detail, showing the amount of cash and wood distributed throughout the different wards in the city during the month of March, viz.:

No. 1 Ward	Cash, \$ 4 00	Wood, 11 cords.
No. 2 "	" 17 00	" 34 "
No. 3 "	" 0 00	" 84 "
No. 4 "	" 3 00	" 14 "
No. 5 "	" 0 00	" 104 "
No. 6 "	" 12 00	" 9 "
No. 7 "	" 5 00	" 5 "

\$41 00 49 cords.

On the recommendation of the House Surgeon of the Hospital your Committee would ask permission to have the water introduced from the city water works in the City Hospital, also for the construction of the drains into the main sewer running from said institution.

Your Committee examined the account of Drs. Chas. Moore & Son, and find that as \$16 of said account was contracted for the examinations of parties who entered the police force, we therefore refer the said amount to the consideration of Police Commissioners. As to the first item of the account, viz., \$5, which was contracted as per order of ex-Mayor Cronyn, your Committee, owing to having no particulars of said amount, recommend no action.

Received and adopted.

Ald. Powell also submitted a report of the general expenses of the London General Hospital during quarter which ended March 21st, 1879, as follows:

Groceries, wines and liquors, \$433.18; bread, \$114.84; milk, \$62.43; dry goods, \$108.39; soft soap, \$15; coal, \$193.61; oil, lamps, stoves, tinware, \$37.66; medicine and surgical instruments, \$175.87; servants' salaries, \$171.50; interments and graves, \$55; crock ry, \$19.45; butcher's meat, \$270.44; furniture, \$7.70; fish, \$23; vegetables, \$8.95; beer, \$18; repairing, \$14.91; lumber, \$13.85; sawing wood, \$12.20; straw, \$17.50; EVENING HERALD, \$5; lime, \$2.40; total, \$1,789.96.

Receipts from paying patients, \$2 5.45.

On motion, the above report was added to the financial statement, to be printed therewith.

Ald. Powell reported further that he had been informed that the milk supplied by Mr. Henry to the Hospital was not pure. He had submitted a sample to Mr. W. Saunders for analysis, and that gentleman had found it quite up to the standard, both in point of quality and purity.

Ald. Williams, chairman, submitted the following report of the Exhibition Committee:

Your Committee, with the City Engineer, having inspected the building at the entrance of the Exhibition Grounds, find it unfit for habitation, and recommend an expenditure of \$250, from the rents and receipts annually received, for the purpose of repairing it for the caretaker of the Exhibition Grounds.

Referring to the communication from the Directors of the Western Fair, inviting His Excellency the Governor-General and the Princess Louise to be present at the opening of the Western Fair in September next, your Committee report progress.

Received and adopted.

Ald. Glass gives notice that at some future meeting of the Council he will move that Salter's Grove be fenced in.

Moved by Ald. Egan, seconded by Ald. Williams, that the subject of exempting all the personal property of new manufacturers from taxation be referred to the Finance Committee. Carried.

On motion, the removal of that portion of the old Port Stanley Railway depot, situate on Colborne street, was referred to the Board of Works.

The Council then adjourned for two weeks.

Council Proceedings.

Council Chamber, April 21st, 1879

The Board of Aldermen met in the Council Chamber at the usual hour, His Worship Mayor Lewis in the chair, and the following members present: Aldermen Pritchard, Campbell, Skinner, Stringer, Taylor, Edleston, Glass, Gray, Ardill, Raynor, Peel, Egan, Thompson, Williams, Fitzgerald, Boyd, Scarrow, Powell, Hiscox.

The minutes of previous meeting were read and signed by the Mayor.

Communications were read:—

From B. Cronyn and 86 others, asking for the privilege of enclosing Salter's Grove and converting it into a park, for use of public free of charge, except upon 12 days in the year, but then all proceeds for admission to be used in keeping the grounds in repair; in case the Council should decide to sell the grove, the petitioners will forthwith surrender the same.

Ald. Pritchard moved, seconded by Ald. Thompson, that the prayer of the petition be granted, and a by-law prepared in accordance therewith, under the direction of the Mayor and the Chairman of the Park Committee.

Moved in amendment by Ald. Egan, seconded by Ald. Williams, that the matter be referred to the Park Committee to report.

Moved in amendment to the amendment by Ald. Boyd, seconded by Ald. Ardill, that it be referred to the Park Committee with power to bring in a by-law.

Mr. A. McCormick was heard upon the subject, and explained that the petitioners intended to beautify the Grove and fence it in.

The original motion carried.

Ald. Egan called for the yeas and nays on each motion.

Amendment to the amendment:—

Yeas—Aldermen Gray, Ardill and Boyd.

Nays—Aldermen Pritchard, Campbell, Skinner, Taylor, Stringer, Edleston, Greer, Glass, Raynor, Peel, Egan, Thompson, Williams, Fitzgerald, Scarrow, Powell and Hiscox.

Amendment:—

Yeas—Aldermen Edleston, Williams, Scarrow, Peel and Egan.

Nays—Aldermen Pritchard, Campbell, Greer, Skinner, Taylor, Stringer, Ardill, Glass, Raynor, Thompson, Fitzgerald, Powell and Hiscox.

Main motion:—

Yeas—Aldermen Pritchard, Campbell, Skinner, Taylor, Stringer, Ardill, Glass, Greer, Raynor, Thompson, Fitzgerald, Powell and Hiscox.

Nays—Aldermen Edleston, Williams, Scarrow, Peel and Egan.

From Lt.-Col. Otter, Toronto, asking for a donation of \$10 to the Ontario Rifle Association. Referred to Finance Committee.

From J. H. Flock, on behalf of the Women's Christian Association, for remission of taxes on Women's Refuge. Referred to Finance and Assessment Committee.

From Wm. Crosby and others, for a drain on South street, between Colborne and Waterloo. Referred to Board of Works.

From Richard Dagg and others, for a plank sidewalk on Adelaide street, between Dundas and Horton. Referred to Board of Works.

From Jas. Southcott and others, for a gas lamp on the north side of Simcoe street, near Henry. Referred to Fire, Water and Gas Committee.

From John Burnett and others, for a plank sidewalk on Waterloo street, between St. James and Grosvenor. Referred to Board of Works.

From W. T. T. Williams, Chief of Police, reporting 457 gas lamps not lighted when they should have been for the quarter ending March 31st. Referred to Fire, Water and Gas Committee.

From J. A. Cousins and others, asking that Wellington street be watered from Dundas to York. Referred to Fire, Water and Gas Committee.

From George McGeary, asking for remission of statute labor tax. Referred to

Finance and Assessment Committee.

From H. M. Douglass, for use of Crystal Palace for walking match. Referred to Exhibition Committee, with power.

From J. H. Fraser, on behalf of Clarence street Presbyterian Church, for permission to erect sheds for shelter of horses. Referred to Fire, Water and Gas Committee.

From B. Jarman, asking that Richmond street, opposite his premises, be not watered. Referred to the Fire, Water and Gas Committee.

A by-law for changing the name of Great Market street to that of Central Avenue was read three times and passed.

Ald Egan, Chairman, presented the following report from the Fire, Water and Gas Committee:

1st. Your Committee would recommend granting that portion of the prayer of the petition of the London Oil Refining Company which asks for three hydrants at an annual rental of \$37.50 each, said hydrants not to be used for any purpose other than for the extinguishing of fires on the premises of said petitioners. The balance of the petition not entertained.

2nd. In the matter of Alex. Harvey's claim for street watering in 1878, your Committee cannot recommend, under the circumstances, the payment thereof.

3rd. Your Committee recommend the payment of City Gas Company's account, amounting to \$1,674.72, for quarter ending 31st March, ult., and referred to Finance Committee.

4th. Your Committee would recommend that the Chairman be authorized to ascertain the system in operation in Hamilton of watering streets in said city, so as to enable this corporation to adopt a system suitable to our system of waterworks. This information will include as to the rates charged on frontage tax, as also the arrangements necessary to be made with the Water Commissioners.

5th. Your Committee have placed temporary carts for watering certain streets until season contract be entered into. Under the advantages of waterworks, your Committee is preparing, and will submit, such inducements as will cause the principal streets to be watered. At the same time, your Committee would apprise the public that no street will be watered until two-thirds of the inhabitants have petitioned to that effect.

6th. In the matter of the application

of Mr. Frank Wheeler to placed on the Fire Department, there being no vacancy, would recommend that said application be laid over.

7th. Your Committee would recommend that the services of L. Powers as night watchman be dispensed with on the 1st of May.

On motion the report was considered in Committee of the Whole, Ald. Pritchard in the chair.

Clauses 1, 2, and 3 read and passed.

Clause 4 read.

Ald. Campbell moved in amendment, seconded by Ald. Skinner, that the clause be struck out, and the following substituted: "That the committee be empowered to order the necessary number of water carts with as little delay as possible, to be similar to those used in Hamilton." Carried.

Clauses 5, 6 and 7 read and passed.

The committee rose and reported. On a motion to adopt in council—

Ald. Egan moved in amendment to the 7th clause, seconded by Ald. Pritchard, that the services of Lawrence Powers be retained as night watchman for the City Hall. Lost.

Yeas—Aldermen Pritchard, Campbell, Thompson and Egan—4.

Nays Aldermen Skinner, Stringer, Taylor, Hiscox, Edleston, Glass, Ardill, Gray, Boyd, Williams, Scarrow and Peel, Greer—13.

The report was then adopted.

Ald. Thompson, chairman *pro tem*, submitted the following report from the License Committee:

"The License Committee beg to report that they have considered the question of livery stable licenses, and would recommend that the license fee be \$10."

Received and adopted.

Ald. Williams, chairman, presented the following report from the Exhibition Committee:

"Your Committee beg to report that the Directors of the Western Fair have granted the sum of \$500 towards defraying the expenses of entertaining their Excellencies, the Marquis of Lorne and the Princess Louise, during their visit to London in September next.

"Your Committee beg also to report that they have received two letters of invitation, one from his Lordship the Bishop of Huron, and one from Edward Harris, Esq., to entertain their Excellen-

ies, the Marquis of Lorne and the Princess Louise, and suite, during their visit to London in September next to open the Western Fair; and your Committee recommend that the offer of his Lordship, the Bishop of Huron, to place Nerwood House and grounds at the disposal of the Mayor and Corporation free of expense, be accepted; and that His Worship, the Mayor, be instructed to forward a cordial invitation to their Excellencies to visit London and open the Western Fair of 1879."

On motion, His Worship the Mayor was requested to acknowledge the receipt of the two invitations, and convey the thanks of this Council to E. Harris, Esq., and to His Lordship the Bishop of Huron, intimating that His Lordship's proposition had been accepted.

The report was then adopted.

Ald. Hiscox, chairman, submitted the following report from the Park Committee:—

1.—That the bricks in the tanks be

taken out and retained, and that the tanks be filled up.

2.—That the windmill now on the park be advertised and sold at auction.

Received and adopted.

Moved by Ald. Pritchard, seconded by Ald. Campbell, that whereas, the residents of that portion of Horton street between Richmond and Talbot, have presented a petition to the Water Commissioners to lay a main opposite their residences, and have promised to become consumers, be it therefore resolved that the said Commissioners be requested to comply with the prayer of the petition, and should the funds at their disposal be insufficient, the cost be charged against the first year's revenue. Carried.

Moved by Ald. Stinger, seconded by Ald. Taylor, that the Board of Works report at the next meeting of the Council on by-law relative to boulevarding the streets. Carried.

The Council then adjourned for two weeks.

Council Proceedings.

Council Chamber, May 5th, 1879

The Board of Aldermen met in the Council-chamber at the usual hour, His Worship Mayor Lewis in the chair, and the following members present: Aldermen Pritchard, Campbell, Thompson, Stringer, Greer, Taylor, Hiscox, Edleston, Glass, Gray, Ardill, Boyd, Powell, Williams, Raynor, Peel, Egan, Scarrow, Skinner, Muirhead.

The minutes of previous meeting were read and signed by the Mayor.

Communications were read—

From the Ontario Loan Society, asking the Board to be allowed the privilege of enclosing a piece of the Market Lane, ten feet in width, while the erection of their new building is under construction; and also that the city pay half the cost of a stone sidewalk, which it is proposed to lay down on the said street. Referred to Board of Works and Market Committee.

From J. Bullivant and 28 others, asking that Dundas street be watered from Colborne to William street. Referred to Fire, Water and Gas Committee.

From J. H. Brown and three other livery stable keepers, asking the Council to refund the sum of \$31.50, charged and collected from them illegally. Referred to License Committee.

From Russell Hardy, claiming \$1.50 damages sustained to his buggy in consequence of a hole in the street opposite the Bank of Montreal. Referred to Board of Works.

From M-s. McKay and Anne Mester, asking remission of taxes. Referred to Finance and Assessment Committee.

From Wm. Agnew, asking that he be paid \$20 for attendance at the Small-pox Hospital. Referred to Board of Health.

From F. De Winton, the Governor-General's Secretary, enclosing a reply to the Board's invitation to visit London in September. Fyled.

From John T. Middlemore, asking that the lease of the Guthrie House be renewed, thanking the Board for past favors, and asking the Council to place a price

upon the farm, if for sale. Referred to Board of Works.

From R. Bennett and others, asking that the water-works pipes be laid on Peter street, from Queen's to Dufferin avenue. Referred to Fire, Water and Gas Committee.

From T. McCormick and others, asking that Clarence street, from Queen's to Dufferin avenue, be watered. Referred to Fire, Water and Gas Committee.

From H. G. Abbott and others, asking that the sidewalk on the north side of Dundas, between Wellington and Waterloo, be extended to the front of their places of business. Referred to Board of Works.

From Wm. Calder, asking the Board to render him pecuniary assistance, owing to sickness. Referred to Hospital and Relief Committee.

From H. Hamilton and others residents of No. 4 Ward, asking that the lamp recently removed from the north to the south side of Dundas street, be removed to the place from whence it was taken, or that a new one be erected in its stead. Referred to Fire, Water and Gas Committee.

His Worship the Mayor said he had much pleasure in presenting the Council with the deed of Victoria Park, which he had just received from the Government, and he took this opportunity of publicly thanking the Hon. John Carling for his valuable assistance in the matter.

A by-law for establishing a public park out of Salter's Grove was read a first time.

Moved by Ald. Pritchard, seconded by Ald. Thompson, that the by-law pass its first reading and the blank be filled in with the words "Queen's Park."

Moved in amendment by Ald. Campbell, seconded by Ald. Skinner, that the blank be filled in with the words "Albert Grove." Lost.

The motion carried.

Moved by Ald. Campbell, seconded by Ald. Skinner, that the names of His Worship the Mayor and the chairmen of the Park Committee and Board of Works be inserted in the by-law to act as trustees for the city. Carried.

On motion, Mr. A. McCormick was heard in the matter.

The by-law was then read a second time.

On the third reading—

Ald. Egan moved, seconded by Ald. Scarrow, that the further consideration of the by-law be deferred for one week. Lost.

The by-law was then read a third time and passed.

Ald. Campbell, chairman, presented the following report from the Finance Committee:

Your Finance Committee beg to report that they have examined the following accounts, found them correct, and would recommend the same be paid: Hospital account, \$497.89; relief account, \$44.50; Board of Health, \$115.05; incidental expenses, \$47.25; police department, \$47.98; fire department, \$262.33; Exhibition Building, Scragg's account, \$15; Registry office, \$3; City Hall expenses, \$7.18; E. A. Taylor & Co., stationery, \$59.87; Gas Company's account, \$1,674.72; M. D. Dawson's account, \$25.87; John Mill's account, \$4.08; total, \$2,804.72.

Account from County Treasurer—for keep of prisoners and other expenses connected with jail, \$2,907.82; also, small account, being our share of 50 per cent. for fittings and repairs for jail, \$134.00; total county expenses, \$3,041.91—for which this committee would report funds, subject to the approval of the Jail Committee.

The communication from C. D. Holmes, Esq., was referred to our Solicitor.

On Col. Otter's circular we recommend no action.

Received and adopted.

Ald. Peel, chairman, submitted the following report from the Board of Works:—

Your Board of Works beg leave to recommend that the following tenders be accepted, viz.:

1. Mr. McIntosh, for asphalt sidewalk, at 45 cents per square yard.
2. Mr. T. H. Marsh, for nails, at \$2.80 per 100 lbs.
3. Mr. Paul Phipps, for culverts, at \$15 per M—large, with scuttling, \$15.50; excavations at 13 cents per cubic yard; also, pine plank for repairing, at \$11 per M.
4. Messrs. Proctor & Bryan, for gravel—screened and broken, \$2.40 per cord; unscreened and broken, \$1.90; gravel screenings, \$1.80.
5. Owen McGuire, gravel for No. 7 Ward—screened and broken, \$2 per cord; unscreened and broken, \$1.25; gravel screenings, \$1.25.
6. Mr. Wm. Howie, for plank sidewalk—4 feet at 14½ cents per linear foot; 6 feet at 21½ cents; 8 feet at 30 cents; 10 feet at 39 cents; 12 feet at 47 cents.
7. Your Board of Works recommend that \$20,000 be placed to the credit of this Board for the repairs of the city.

The report was considered in Committee of the Whole, Ald. Hiscox in the chair.

First clause read.

Moved by Ald. Greer, seconded by Ald. Boyd, that the clause be referred back. Lost.

Clauses 2, 3, 4 and 5 were read and adopted.

Clause 6 read.

Ald. Campbell moved, seconded by Ald. Stringer, that the clause be referred back, with instructions to advertise for new tenders for sidewalks. Carried.

On motion the 4th rule was suspended.

Seventh clause read.—

Moved by Ald. Campbell, seconded by Ald. Raynor, that "\$20000" be struck out, and "\$12000" substituted. Lost.

Moved in amendment by Ald. Powell, seconded by Ald. Greer, that in consideration of the great pressure on the citizens by heavy taxation, be it resolved that the sum of \$10000 be granted, instead of \$20000, as asked for by the Board of Works for improvements, and that the Board of Works be requested to make repairs only where absolutely necessary. Lost.

The clause was adopted.

The Committee rose and Council resumed, and the report was adopted on the following vote.

Yeas—Alderman Pritchard, Taylor, Thompson, Edleston, Glass, Ardill, Boyd, Williams, Peel and Egan.

Nays—Alderman Hiscox, Muirhead, Campbell, Powell, Gray, Stringer, Skinner, Greer and Raynor.

Chairman, submitted the following report from the Hospital and Relief Committee.

Your Hospital and Relief Committee beg to report that they have examined, passed and referred the following accounts for hospital supplies for the month of April to the Finance Committee for payment, viz.: F. Shaffer, for surgical splints, \$10; Hinton & Portwood, interments, \$33.50; S. Baker, trees, \$11.20; J. B. Smyth, potatoes, \$42; cab hire for patients, 50 cts.; T. E. O'Callaghan, groceries, \$126.97; J. Eldridge, bread, \$35.03; J. Henry, milk, \$21.59; G. Taylor, meat, \$9.67; Grant, servants wages, \$5; McCallum, drugs, \$45.39; J. Lav, plumbing, \$6.84; Hardy & Rowntree, \$1.69; Pratt, ploughing and gravelling, \$19.50; total, \$497.89.

The Relief Officer submitted his monthly report, showing in detail the amount of cash and wood distributed throughout the different Wards of the city during the month of April, viz.:

No. 1 Ward	Cash, \$ 3 00	Wood, 3 cords.
No. 2 "	" 19 00	" 4½ "
No. 3 "	" 0 00	" 1 "
No. 4 "	" 7 20	" 1 "
No. 5 "	" 50	" 6 "
No. 6 "	" 13 00	" 4½ "
No. 7 "	" 6 00	" 1 "
	\$48 70	20½ cords.

Received and adopted.

On motion, the Hospital Committee was empowered to advertise for tenders for the introduction of water into the hospital.

Moved by Ald. Stringer, seconded by Ald. Skinner, that the city engineer furnish plans for four watering carts, similar to those used in the city of Hamilton, and that the City Clerk be instructed to advertise for tenders, and that the tenders be submitted to the Fire, Water and Gas Committee, with power.

Ald. Glass moved, seconded by Ald. Peel, that inasmuch as it has pleased the Dominion Government to grant to the citizens of London a deed to that plot of ground lying and being in the city of London, and known as Victoria Park, be it therefore resolved that we as a Council, on behalf of the citizens of London, tender a cordial vote of thanks to said Government for their promptness in complying with the request of this Council. Carried unanimously.

Moved by Ald. Glass, seconded by Ald. Skinner, that the thanks of this Council are due and hereby tendered to the Hon. John Carling and his Worship Mayor Lewis for their trouble in procuring a deed to Victoria Park. Carried unanimously.

Ald. Hiscox moved, seconded by Ald. Greer, that No. 4 Ward be granted a gas lamp in place of the one taken out of it for the Mechanics' Institute. Carried.

Ald. Campbell moved, seconded by Ald. Peel, that the sum of \$5,000 be reserved out of the \$20,000 granted to the Board of Works until the Gas Company have finished their works. Carried.

Ald. Stringer gives notice that at next meeting of the Council he will move that the Water Commissioners be requested not to extend the water mains to any street until such time as they can make arrangements by which all streets in the city not now supplied can obtain the same privilege.

The Board adjourned for two weeks.

Council Proceedings.

Council Chamber, May 19th, 1879

The Board of Aldermen met in the Council Chamber at the customary hour, His Worship Mayor Lewis in the chair, with the following members present: Pritchard, Campbell, Powell, Skinner, Stringer, Fitzgerald, Scarrow, Williams, Egan, Peel, Edleston, Glass, Grey, Ardill, Thompson, Greer, Hiscox, Taylor.

The minutes of the previous meeting were read and signed by His Worship.

From Rabjohn, Omstead & Co., of the city of Hamilton, with a proposition to erect a drinking fountain on the Market Square for \$60. Referred to Fire, Water and Gas Committee.

From Globe Lightning Rod Co., proposing to furnish new rods for the City Hall. Referred to Board of Works.

From Farley & Doherty, of St. Thomas, asking for \$45 for the Giant Gas Governor Co. Referred to Fire, Water and Gas Committee.

From James O'Connor, praying for privilege to erect frame kitchen, 10 x 12, in the rear of his house, No. 296 Talbot street. Granted.

From Geo. Tambling and 59 ratepayers petitioning that a plank sidewalk be laid down on the south side of Grey street, between Waterloo and Maitland. Referred to Board of Works.

From John Gillegan and 10 others, asking that York street, between Richmond and Wellington, be not watered. Referred to Fire, Water and Gas Committee.

From John Peters, for the London Field Battery, praying a grant of \$75 for the purpose of supplying new hats for the corps.

On motion the 45th rule was suspended. Petition granted.

From D. S. Perrin, asking permission to erect a frame wagon shed on his property on Carling street. Granted.

From John Curry and fifteen others, praying that a box drain be laid on Simcoe street, between Wellington and Waterloo. Referred to the Board of Works.

From J. D. Sharman and 22 others, praying that Richmond street, between Dufferin avenue and Mount Hope, be watered daily. Referred to Fire, Water and Gas Committee.

The account of M. D. Dawson, for printing, \$147.68, was referred to Printing and Finance Committee.

Ald. Campbell, chairman, submitted the quarterly audit of the finances.

Moved by Ald. Pritchard, seconded by Ald. Greer, that the matter be referred back to the committee for further consideration.

A motion in amendment was made by Ald. Scarrow, that the audit be referred back to the Committee, and that the Chamberlain be present at the next meeting to point out errors.

The motion and amendment were both lost.

Ald. Egan, Chairman of the Committee, submitted the following report:

Your Committee would recommend the prayer of J. H. Fraser be granted, asking the privilege of erecting a shed for horse adjoining Dr. Proudfoot's Church, Clarence street.

The tender of Moran Bros., for making watering carts, was accepted, being the lowest; cost, \$200 each.

Several petitions having been received to water certain streets, in view of which your Committee would recommend establishing a street watering area, under the Municipal Act by by law, as follows:

EAST AND WEST—

Dundas street, from Ridout to Adelaide street.
King street, from King St. School-house to Adelaide street.
York street, from Westminster Bridge to Waterloo street.
Queen's avenue, from Talbot to Adelaide street.
Carling street, from Ridout to Richmond street.
Fullarton street, do. do.
Maple street, do. do.
Kent street, do. do.
Albert street, do. do.
Dufferin avenue, from Richmond to Waterloo street.

NORTH AND SOUTH—

Ridout street, from Bathurst to Albert street.
Talbot street, from Simcoe to Carling street.
Richmond street, from Bathurst street to Mount Hope Institute.
Clarence street, from Simcoe street to Dufferin ave.
Wellington street, do. do. do.
Colbourne street, from King to Bond street.
Market Square and Market Lane.
Waterloo street, from King to Centre Avenue.

On motion, the report was committed, His Worship the Mayor in the chair.

Ald. Pritchard moved that the table read, be inserted once in each of the daily papers, so that any necessary change might be made next meeting before the by-law be passed. Carried.

On motion the report was adopted with amendments.

The Council then resumed.

Ald. Peel submitted the following report:

Your Committee, to whom was referred the petition of the Ontario Savings and Investment Society, asking permission to enclose a strip of land on the west side of the Market Lane and on Dundas street during the erection of a large building, and to be allowed to excavate the ground to the depth of about nine feet beneath the sidewalk, the sides of which are to be built up and covered with flag-stone, the petitioners requesting that the city pay one-half of the expense of the sidewalk.

1st. Recommending that they be allowed to board up eight feet six inches on the Market Lane, from the line of the present building, until the walls and roof of their building is completed.

2nd. Your Committee recommend that the second and third clauses of the petition be granted, provided the excavation be arched over with brick and the petitioners be responsible for the whole expense of the sidewalk, which is to be of stone as asked for by the petitioners; the whole work to be under the supervision of the City Engineer, it being agreed that there shall be no loading or unloading of teams on the Market Lane between the hours of 7 a. m. and 12 o'clock.

SUPPLEMENTARY.

Your Board of Works beg leave to recommend that the petition of Mr. Abbott and others, asking that the sidewalk be put down at the street line in front of

their property on Dundas street, between Wellington and Waterloo streets, be granted.

Your Board of Works recommend that the tender of Messrs. Ferguson Bros., for plank sidewalk at the following price, be accepted, viz.: Four-foot sidewalk, 13½¢ per lineal foot; 6-foot, 20¢; 8-foot, 27¢; 10-foot, 33½¢; 12 foot, 41¢—it being the lowest.

On motion the report was adopted.

On motion of Ald. Powell the Relief Committee were empowered to aid Wm. Calawell to the extent of \$30.

Ald. Hiscox submitted an informal report, over which some discussion took place. Ald. Fitzgerald moved, seconded by Ald. Peel, that the Committee be instructed to take the necessary steps for laying water pipes in the Park to water trees and shrubs.

Ald. Campbell moved in amendment, seconded by Ald. Glass, that the matter be referred to the Park Committee, and that the works be stopped until the Committee shall have reported. Lost. Motion carried.

Yeas—Fitzgerald, Thompson, Powell, Stringer, Hiscox, Edleston, Scarrow, Peel.

Nays—Campbell, Skinner, Taylor, Glass, Ardill.

On motion of Ald. Ardill the matter of placing a fire alarm box at the corner of Hill and William streets was referred to the Committee on Fire, Water and Gas.

Council adjourned for two weeks.

Council Proceedings.

Council Chamber, June 9th, 1879

The Board of Aldermen met in the Council Rooms, at the usual hour, His Worship the Mayor in the chair, with the following members present:—Ald. Campbell, Pritchard, Muirhead, Powell, Fitzgerald, Skinner, Stringer, Taylor, Edleston, Hiscox, Greer, Glass, Gray, Ardell, Williams, Boyd, Scarrow, Egan, Peel and Raynor.

The minutes of the last meeting were read and signed by the Mayor.

The following communications were presented:

From W. Whyte and seven others, asking for a supply water-pipe to be laid on Horton street, between William and Adelaide street. Referred to Water Commissioners with power.

From St. John Relief and Aid Society, the request that the Council transmit a list of donations of goods, money, &c., sent by this city to the St. John Relief Fund, to T. A. Chapman, Secretary of the Society. Referred to Finance Committee.

From the County Clerk, enclosing copy of a report of the Finance Committee of the County Council, asking to have it laid before the City Council.

First report of Finance Committee: Your Committee beg to recommend that a committee be appointed consisting of the Warden, James Armstrong, L. E. Shipley, B. Waterworth and J. B. Fram, with power to settle with the Council of the City of London the amounts to be paid by each municipality, respectively, for payment of jurors.

All of which is respectively submitted.

J. ARMSTRONG, Chairman.

Referred to Jail and Finance Committees.

From Abraham Slater, asking to be allowed to remove his tailor shop from No. 562 Richmond street to front on Clarence street. Petition granted.

From Thos. Robinson and seven others, petitioning to have the water mains extended on Horton street, between Wel-

lington and Clarence. Referred to Water Commissioners with power.

From John Wright and 22 others, praying to extend fire limits on Queen's Ave. to Adelaide street. Referred to Fire, Water and Gas Committee.

From John Cameron & Co., account \$4 for supplying daily *Advertiser* to the City Hospital one year. Referred to Printing and Finance Committee.

From McCleary Manufacturing Co., an account of \$15.39. Referred to Fire, Water and Gas Committee.

From Stevens, Turner & Burns, an account of \$11.50. Referred to Fire, Water and Gas Committee.

From Canadian Rubber Co. of Montreal, an account of \$4. Referred to Fire, Water and Gas Committee.

Ald. Raynor called the attention of the Council to omissions and inaccuracies in the annual finance statement for 1878, now printed.

Ald. Campbell moved, seconded by Ald. Fitzgerald, that a committee be appointed with Ald. Raynor as chairman, to investigate the cause of complaint. Carried. The following members were named: Aldermen Raynor, Greer, Ardell, Scarrow, Taylor and Pritchard.

Moved in amendment by Ald. Scarrow, seconded by Ald. Peel, that the matter be referred to the Finance Committee. Carried.

Moved by Ald. Pritchard, seconded by Ald. Powell, that the Chairman of the Board of Works be instructed to communicate with the County Council tomorrow, asking them to pay half the cost of an asphalt sidewalk in front of the County Buildings on Ridout street. Carried.

Ald. Powell, chairman of the committee, submitted the following report:

GENTLEMEN,—Your Hospital and Relief Committee beg to report that they have examined, passed and referred the following accounts for hospital supplies for the

month of May, to Finance Committee for payment, viz:

To paid for straw.....	\$ 7 75
" " cab hire.....	50
" " potatoes.....	13 25
Henry for cutting wood.....	7 00
O'Callaghan, groceries.....	121 90
Eldridge, bread.....	32 21
Grant, servant's wages.....	52 00
Hardy & Rowntree.....	1 65
Bowman, for coal.....	38 65
Shafer, splint.....	5 00

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The Relief Officer submitted his monthly report, in detail showing the following disbursement of cash and wood throughout the different Wards of the city for the month of May, viz:

No.	1 Ward	Cash, \$	9 00	Wood, 1	cords.
No. 2	"	"	19 00	"	0 "
No. 3	"	"	4 00	"	1 "
No. 4	"	"	0 00	"	0 "
No. 5	"	"	1 00	"	1 "
No. 6	"	"	16 00	"	1 "
No. 7	"	"	2 50	"	0 "
		\$50 50		2 1	cords.

All of which is respectfully submitted.

On motion the report was adopted.

Ald. Muirhead, chairman of the committee, submitted the following report:

Your Committee beg leave to report that no action was taken regarding refunding moneys paid by livery-stable keepers' licenses until next meeting of the Committee.

Your Committee would also recommend that billiard tables be allowed to remain open until the same time as the License Commissioners have allowed hotels and saloons; all of which are respectfully submitted; and that a by-law be prepared embodying this resolution.

On motion the report was adopted.

Ald. Hiscox, chairman of the Committee, submitted the following report:

Your Committee would recommend that

\$1,000 be placed to their credit for the purpose of building a green house, finishing gravel drives and other necessary work.

Respectfully submitted.

Moved in amendment by Ald. Scarrow, seconded by Ald. Boyd, that the amount granted for park purposes be \$500 instead of \$1000; seconded by Ald. Boyd.

Ald. Pritchard called for the yeas and nays. YEAS.—Powell, Fitzgerald, Stringer, Hiscox, Edleston, Gray, Boyd, Scarrow, Peel. NAYS.—Campbell, Pritchard, Skinner, Glass, Ardell. Report adopted.

Moved by Ald. Campbell, seconded by Ald. Powell, the following resolution:

"That, this Council having heard with deep regret of the sudden death of the late William Simpson Smith, Esq., who has long been favorably known as one of our most prominent citizens, having for years occupied a seat at this Council Board, and also held the position of Mayor of this city.

"Resolved, that we take this opportunity, on the first meeting after his decease, to express our appreciation of his many excellent qualities; and also our deep sympathy with the widow and family of our departed friend."

Ald. Powell, in seconding the resolution, said that as long as memory lasted he should remember the association of the deceased gentleman. He felt that London had lost one of her best Councilors.

His Worship and several members of the Board paid feeling tributes to the memory of the deceased, when the resolution was unanimously carried.

Moved by Ald. Gray, seconded by Ald. Williams, that a copy of the resolution be sent to the bereaved family. Carried.

On motion, the Council then adjourned for two weeks.

Council Proceedings.

Council Chamber, June 23rd, 1879

The Board of Aldermen met at the usual hour and place, His Worship the Mayor in the chair, and the following members present: Alds. Pritchard, Campbell, Muirhead, Thompson, Powell, Fitzgerald, Stringer, Springer, Scarrow, Hiscox, Edleston, Glass, Boyd, Williams, Raynor, Taylor, Peel, Egan, and Greer. Minutes of the preceding meeting read and signed by the Mayor.

Communications were read from Attorney-General J. G. Scott, claiming cost of chancery suit. Referred to Finance Committee.

From Akron Rubber Works, a circular inviting the attention of the Council to their inducements to provide the Fire Department with supplies. Referred to Finance Committee.

From R. R. Brough, a request to the Council to remunerate him for damages sustained by driving into an excavated drain at night. Amount claimed, \$6.50. Referred to Board of Works.

From A. G. Smith, an application to remove a frame cottage from the corner of Talbot and Litchfield streets to a vacant lot. Referred to Fire, Water and Gas.

From Warren Rock and fourteen others, a petition praying that a lamp be placed on the north side of Queen's Avenue, between Colborne and Maitland streets. Referred to Fire, Water and Gas.

From John A. McLachlan, in behalf of other petitioners, praying for remission of taxes. Referred to Finance and Assessment.

From I. Lewis, a petition praying for an extension of time to pay taxes. Referred to Finance and Assessment.

From John Elliott and numerous other ratepayers, a petition praying that a by-law be passed authorizing the construction of a drain on Wellington street, south of the railway track. Referred to Board of Works.

From City Steam Heating Company, petitioning to pass a By-Law authorizing

the said Company to break up, dig and trench the streets, squares, highways, lanes and public places of the city, and to lay down mains for the purpose of supplying any persons or companies in the city with steam, hot air and water. Referred to Fire, Water and Gas.

From E. B. Smith and 36 others, a petition for a sidewalk on Simcoe street, between William and Burwell streets. Referred to Board of Works.

From Josiah Blackburn and three others, petitioning to have Ridout street, between Blackfriar's Bridge and Albert street, included in the street-watering district. Petition granted.

From James Dunbar and nine others, a petition praying that the portion of York street between Richmond and Wellington be not included in the watering district. Referred to Fire, Water and Gas Committee.

From Annie Hibbert and nine others, praying that that part of Clarence street, between Bathurst and Simcoe street, be not watered. Granted.

From Dr. J. A. Neller, an account of \$2.25 for vaccination. Referred to Finance and Assessment.

From Lang & McPherson, an account of \$238.75 for merchandise. Referred to Finance and Assessment.

Ald. Campbell Chairman submitted the following report:

The Finance Committee beg to report that they have examined the following accounts, and beg to recommend as follows:

Hospital account.....	\$269 91
Fire Department.....	323 51
Relief acc. and railroad orders..	62 50
Hiscox paid rent for Calder.....	30 00
Pratt, teaming wood.....	6 80
Cook, for shoes.....	4 40
Exhibition Grounds wages acc....	30 00
Police Department.....	83 75
H. Winder, for Pound rent.....	12 50

In all.....\$833 37

Which has passed, and would recommend the same to be paid.

The claim of Alex. S. Abbott, for attendance to voters' list, of...\$ 72 00
Also a further claim by Mr. Abbott, for returns of births and deaths, of..... 116 10

In all.....\$188 10
Was laid over, the Committee not being unanimous.

Your Committee would further report that they have examined the errors complained of by Ald. Raynor on the Financial Statement, and found a number of omissions and mistakes, chiefly made by the printers, who had the printing done and the statements distributed without submitting a proof sheet or statement to the Chamberlain for inspection and correction, which has been rectified, and a corrected balance sheet for 1878 ordered to be distributed at once.

The Committee's attention was called by Ald. Raynor to the discrepancy between the amount of money paid Inspector Higgins by parties who took out temperance licenses, and the sum paid to the Chamberlain, when the Inspector admitted that he had retained monies since last year, which he had not paid over when the whole matter was referred to the License Committee to deal with.

The fifty-three weeks' wages paid to Dwyer in 1878, is explained by saying the first week of 1879 is included; the report of the Auditors, we find, is at variance with this statement.

The temperance licenses appears in the Chamberlain's books for 1878 as \$112, and in the Clerk's books as \$104. We also find that several sums of money, which should have been paid in to our account last year, was retained and kept back by the License Inspector.

Several other discrepancies in the accounts were found and rectified, and our corrected balance sheet for 1878 is ordered to be distributed forthwith.

Moved by Ald. Williams, seconded by Ald. Peel, that the report be committed. Carried.

Ald. Powell in the chair. The report was taken up and considered *seriatim*.

1st clause read and passed.

2nd clause read, consisting of two items, both claims of the City Clerk.

Moved by Ald. Fitzgerald, seconded by Ald. Pritchard, that the amount be paid.

Moved in amendment by Ald. Pritchard, seconded by Ald. Greer, that the matter be referred back to the Committee with instructions to consult with the City Solicitor as to the legality of the question.

Ald. Fitzgerald withdrew his motion. Amendment lost.

Moved by Ald. Campbell, seconded by Ald. Williams, that the claim be disallowed. Carried.

3rd and 4th clauses of the report read and passed.

The Committee arose and the Council resumed.

Upon motion the yeas and nays were called for on Ald. Egan's motion.

Yeas—Alds. Pritchard, Powell, Thompson, Fitzgerald, Greer, Glass, Ardell, Peel and Egan—9.

Nays—Alds. Campbell, Morehead, Skinner, Stringer, Taylor, Edleston, Gray, Boyd, Williams, Scarrow and Raynor—11.

On motion the report was adopted as amended.

Ald. Egan, chairman, submitted the following report and by-law:

Your Committee would recommend extension of Fire Limits on Queen's Avenue to Adelaide street.

Your Committee received tenders for teams for watering streets, but Your Committee changed this method by dividing the city street watering area into four sections, as follows:

Dundas street to Richmond street.

Carling to Richmond.

King, from School House to Richmond.

York, from Westminster Bridge to Richmond.

Ridout, from Bathurst to Fullerton.

Talbot, from Simcoe to Queen's Ave.

Queen's Ave., from Talbot to Richmond.

Market Square and Lane.

Richmond street, from Dufferin Ave. to Mount Hope.

Talbot, from Queen's Ave. to Carling's Creek.

Ridout, from Fullerton to Blackfriar's Bridge.

Albert, from Ridout to Richmond.

Kent, from Ridout to Richmond.

Maple, from Ridout to Richmond.

Fullerton, from Ridout to Richmond.

Richmond street, from Bathurst to Dufferin Ave.

Clarence, from Railway to Dufferin Ave. Wellington, from Simcoe to Dufferin Ave.

Dufferin Ave., from Richmond to Wellington.

Queen's Ave., from Richmond to Wellington.

Dundas, from Richmond to Wellington.

King, from Richmond to Wellington. Waterloo street, from King to Central avenue.

Colborne, from King to Bond.

Dufferin ave., from Wellington to Waterloo.

Queen's ave., from Wellington to Adelaide.

Dundas street, from Wellington to Adelaide.

King, from Wellington to Adelaide. York, from Wellington to Waterloo.

In accordance with the above, the City Engineer was instructed to advertise for tenders, which were received, and with the following result:—

Alex. Harvey's, No. 1 section, at...\$475

" " " 2 " 450

Proctor & Bryan, No. 3 section...\$480

John Askin, " 4 " 480

Mr. Harvey proposes that he will charge \$60 for the use of his four carts for the season, or that he will allow the use of same until new ones are furnished, within one month, free of charge.

Your Committee would recommend the procuring of two additional street-watering carts.

The petition of William Willis and others, was read, and your Committee recommend that the prayer of the petition be granted.

All of which is respectfully submitted.

By-law to provide for the watering of certain sections of the City of London and for levying a special rate to pay for the same, was read the first time.

Moved by Ald. Fitzgerald, seconded by Ald. Greer, that this constitute the first reading. Carried, and the second reading deferred till next meeting.

Ald. Glass gave notice that at the next session he would make the following motion, that the services of T. Wastie be dispensed with.

Ald. Williams gave notice that he would move that a by-law be passed, exempting from taxes for five years, all new industries that may be introduced or started within the city of London.

Ald. Campbell gave notice of the following motion:

Moved by Ald. Campbell, seconded by Ald. Skinner, that in future no officer of this corporation shall be paid at any time for work performed or services rendered by him to this city, a larger sum than what has been voted him by this Council in adopting the Salary Committee's report, thereby fixing all salaries for the current year; and that all fees or charges that may be legally made and collected for the performance of any work or duties appertaining to any of the offices of this corporation be handed over to the City Chamberlain at once; and that in no case or under any circumstance shall any officer or officers be allowed to retain or appropriate any of said fees or charges to his own use or benefit, except under penalty of immediate dismissal from office.

On motion the Council then adjourned for two weeks.

Council Proceedings.

Council Chamber, July 7th, 1879

The Board of Aldermen met at the usual hour in the Council Chambers, His Worship the Mayor in the chair, with the following members attending:—Alds. Pritchard, Greer, Fitzgerald, Peel, Powell, Eddlestone, Skinner, Stringer, Glass, Williams, Campbell, Raynor, Muirhead, Hiscox, Scarrow, Boyd, Brown, Thompson, Ardill and Taylor.

The minutes of the previous meeting were read and signed by the Mayor. were read from the Clerk of the Township of Westminster, notice of assessment of the Ross Farm. Referred to Finance and Assessment Committee.

From John Taunton, asking permission to erect a frame building on York street. Referred to Fire, Water and Gas Committee with power.

From Mrs. McGeary and Anna Brandon, praying for a remission of taxes. Referred to Finance and Assessment Committee.

From James Cowan and fifteen others, asking to have street watering on Albert street discontinued. Referred to Fire, Water & Gas Committee.

From Wm. Smith and J. F. Dur las, petitioning to be appointed as License Inspector. Referred to License Committee.

From A. L. Wilson, a circular on "Wilson's system of conducting the business of municipal councils." Fyled.

From a committee, consisting of Hon. John Carling and others, signed by Geo. Macbeth, praying a grant of \$200 for the purpose of providing free concerts in Victoria Park.

On motion, the deputation from the gentlemen who have undertaken the introduction of the free concerts were heard.

Ald. Williams moved, seconded by Ald. Raynor, that the 45th rule be suspended. Carried.

Moved by Ald. Williams, seconded by Ald. Peel, that the sum of \$200 be granted to the Committee for the purpose of assisting in providing the free concerts in Victoria Park. Carried.

Ald. Campbell, Chairman of the Finance Committee, submitted the following report:

The Finance Committee beg to report that they have examined the following accounts and find them correct, and would recommend the same to be paid:—

Hospital Accounts.....	\$ 649 13
Fire Dept—quarters' salary.....	503 20
City Hall expenses.....	13 25
Incidental expenses.....	12 55
Police Station.....	5 45
Relief Account.....	26 35
Board of Health.....	82 04
Registry Office.....	6 25
Watering Streets.....	221 75
Pay sheet—for city officials.....	3158 34
Laing & McPherson.....	238 75
Dr. Nelles.....	2 25

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On motion the report was adopted.

Ald. Pritchard, in the absence of the chairman, Ald. Egan, submitted the following report:

Your Committee would recommend that the prayer of the petition of George S. Birrell and others be granted, and that a by-law be prepared granting the necessary powers, so that the work may proceed at once.

Your Committee would respectfully report that they have instructed His Worship the Mayor to procure two additional water carts at the contract price, making in all eight. Respectfully submitted.

Moved by Ald. Pritchard, seconded by Ald. Williams, the report be adopted. Carried.

Ald. Peel, chairman, submitted the following report:

Your Board of Works beg leave to call the attention of the Council to the recommendation of the Board on the 7th of April last, respecting drainage of certain portions of the city, there being at present largely signed petitions in the hands of the Board of Works, with no means for the execution of said work.

2. Your Board of Works recommend that the by-law regulating public streets be so amended as to allow hand-vehicles to be taken on the sidewalk from place to place in the city between the hours 5 a.m. to 9 a.m.